rich fishermen are not set against the poor fishermen and also not use the competition between them to raise the licence fees so as to bring more profit to the Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I do not feel I stand before the dock of this House so as to prove the *bona fides* of the Government.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN: May I inform the Hon. Minister that there was no dispute about the issue of the licence but that there was a dispute only in regard to the residential qualifications of these five fishermen? The village officer gave the certificate and the District Collector made enquiries and said they were entitled to get their licences according to their residential qualifications. The Assistant Director of Fisheries agreed to this recommendation. Afterwards the Additional Director of Fisheries came there and he passed an order refusing the issue of licences. As a result of this they are suffering. They are poor people with big families. They should be helped. Therefore may I request the Hon. Minister to enquire into the matter and redress their real grievances?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, the Collector has been been asked to make enquiries about the complaints against the village munsif of Madai and submit his report.

*The Madras Land Revenue (Additional Surcharge) Act*, 1955

* 275 Q.—SRI C. KANDASAMY (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram): Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) when orders were issued by the Board of Revenue for the collection of the surcharge under the Madras Land Revenue (Additional Surcharge) Act, 1955, for the fasli 1365; and

(*b*) whether any rules have been framed under this Act?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: (*a*) Instructions for the calculation and collection of surcharge under the Madras Land Revenue (Additional Surcharge) Act, 1955, were issued by the Board of Revenue on 15th March 1956.

(*b*) Yes. Copies of the rules issued in the matter were placed on the table of the Assembly on 17th March 1956.

*Payment of pension to the aided and local board elementary school teachers*

* 276 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the framing of rules and the other necessary preliminaries for the payment of pension to the aided and local board elementary school teachers in the State have been completed; and

(*b*) if so, the date from which such payment will be made?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) From the 1st April 1955.

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : May I know whether the rules framed have been published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* and if so on what date?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The rules have been issued in G.O. No. 1611, Education, dated 30th August 1956.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : South Kanara and Malabar will be separated from Madras State after reorganization of States. This scheme is to have retrospective effect from 1st April 1955. May I know whether the teachers who have already retired will get the benefit before the reorganization of the State? Otherwise it will create complications and hardships to teachers.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir; necessary instructions have been issued to the subordinate officers concerned for the expeditious preparation of pension papers and sanction of pensions.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Sir, the Hon. Minister said it has been issued in a certain Government Order. Ever since the news appeared in the papers that the sanction of the Accountant-General has been obtained and it has been brought into force, I have been searching for it in the *Fort St. George Gazette* in which all the notifications used to appear. Probably by oversight I could not find out these rules there. Because it is a matter of importance, if it has not been already published in the Gazette, will the Government see that it is published in the Education Part of the Gazette?

9-30 a.m. THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir I shall look into it. Ordinarily it should have been published.

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member, Sri Balakrishnan, is requested to keep his umbrella outside the Chamber. (Laughter.)

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : I am sorry, Sir, it is a lady's umbrella. I shall keep it outside the Chamber.

(Then the hon. Member went out and kept the umbrella outside the Chamber.)

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : May I know whether the Government will make the Pension Rules applicable to the L.Ts. and B.Ts. in the State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Let us work this scheme which we have already sanctioned and then certainly we shall consider other categories of teaching personnel.

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : May I know whether any orders have been issued for the disbursement of pensions to the teachers who have already retired by this time?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir. For the disbursement, first we will have to get the pension papers necessary

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for that purpose. That is why I have already stated that officers have been instructed that they should get these papers prepared expeditiously so that the disbursement can take place.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Sir, an apprehension has been created by the answer given by the Hon. Minister. Perhaps the Hon. Minister has given that answer in reply to the particular question put by the hon. Member. I think the question may be wrong. The question relates only to the payment of pension to aided and local board elementary school teachers but according to the announcement made by the Hon. Minister on the floor of the House the pension scheme includes secondary grade teachers in secondary schools. May I know whether this scheme is applicable to the secondary grade teachers in secondary schools also?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir. As stated by me, it would include secondary grade teachers also but certainly it is open to any hon. Member to put questions with reference to any category within that scheme. Therefore, there is nothing wrong in the question also.

DR. K. B. MENON : Does this scheme include, apart from trained elementary teachers, the other staff in elementary schools like physical instructors?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir, physical instructors are also included.

SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Sir, the employees who retired from service in the local bodies like local boards, panchayat boards and municipalities after 1st April 1955 have drawn their gratuity amount as according to the rules framed by the Government, the gratuity should be drawn within a period of six months. But they have not been granted pension because the local bodies say that those who have already drawn their gratuity amount are not entitled to pension according to the pension order. So, will the Government consider the desirability of giving instructions to such local bodies that they should be given pension also even though they might have drawn the gratuity amount?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : This pension scheme is in addition to whatever emoluments or other facilities which they were getting before. Therefore, the question of pension not being available to those wro have drawn their gratuity amount does not arise.

*Distribution of the excess collection by the Producers'-cum-Consumers' Co-operative Societies, Ponnani taluk*

* 277 *Q*.—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have passed any orders to allocate the sum of Rs. 6,04,637-6-6, the excess amount collected by the